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reconsider the resolution. I have advised the Department to bring in legislation early in April so that it may be possible for us to create the endowment in good time. I may however inform the hon. Member that the endowment is not necessary at the very beginning. The University authorities may be informed that action is being taken by the Government in this regard and that pending final action, temporary affiliation may be granted.''

Tamil students of the Anantapur Engineering College

* 1225 *Q.*—SRI D. KRISHNAMURTHY GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there was any representation from the Tamil students in the Anantapur Engineering College to take them back to Madras State Colleges;

(*b*) the action taken by the Government; and

(*c*) whether the Government have ascertained which University would conduct the Examination and award the Degree to those Tamil students in that Engineering College?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—'' (*a*) Yes, Sir.

'' (*b*) & (*c*) The matter is under consideration of the Government.''

SRI D. KRISHNAMURTHY GOUNDER :—'' அனந்தபூர் இன்ஜீனிரிங் கல்லூரியில் படிக்கும் தமிழ் மாணவர்களை அடுத்த ஆண்டிலாவது நம்முடைய ராஜ்யத்தில் உள்ள கல்லூரிகளில் சேர்த்துக் கொள்ளமுடியுமா ? அவர்களுக்கு இப்பொழுது உபகாரச் சம்பளம் கொடுக்கப்பட்டு வருகின்றதா ? ''

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—'' Yes, Sir. We are taking steps to get them transferred to Guindy and Coimbatore and our University has been approached in this regard.''

Lignite Mines, Neyveli

* 1226 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether an Experts Committee under a British Engineer has submitted in 1954 a plan for working the Lignite Mines at Neyveli; and

(*b*) if so, what is its recommendation with regard to the purchasing of machinery for the mines and its cost?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—'' (*a*) A British Firm of Consulting Engineers by name Powell Duffryn Technical Services, Limited, London, submitted about the middle of November 1954, a report on the possibilities of mining, utilization and processing of South Arcot lignite.